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Dear County Director of Social Services:

On July 16, 1969 the North Carolina State Department of Social Services submitted a plan to the Regional Office of HEW, Civil Rights Division assuring compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Our plan included procedures for a periodic review of Title VI compliance by county departments of social services. One feature of our plan as approved by the Regional Office is a study of comparative processing time for white, Indian and Negro applications for public assistance, by category and by type of action.

In order to carry out this particular phase of our plan, the Research and Statistics Section has agreed to prepare on a quarterly basis a report on public assistance applications. The report contains data relative to the average number of days taken to complete an application and number of applications disposed of, by county and race.

I have received the report for the quarter ending June 30, 1969, and would like to share with you some of the results of the report.

Data clearly indicated that on a Statewide basis it took longer to process both Negro and Indian applications than it did white applications. The difference in the time lapse between Negro and white applications is much less than the difference between Indian and white applications. Although it took 14 more days to process an Indian application than it did a Negro